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AMINO CERAMIDE-LIKE COMPOUNDS AND THERAPEUTIC METHODS OF USE SPONSORSHIP

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RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 10/134,314, filed April 29, 2002, which is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Serial No. 10/044,869 filed January 10, 2002, which application claimed priority to U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/260,948 filed on January 10, 2001 and 60/262,196 filed on January 17, 2001. The entire text of each of the aforementioned applications is specifically incorporated herein by reference.

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates generally to ceramide-like compounds and, more particularly, to prodrugs of ceramide-like compounds that inhibit glucosylceramide formation.

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Hundreds of glycosphingolipids (GSLs) are derived from glucosylceramide (GlcCer), which is enzymatically formed from ceramide and UDP-glucose. The enzyme involved in GlcCer formation is UDP-glucose-N-acylsphingosine glucosyltransferase (GlcCer synthase). The rate of GlcCer formation under physiological conditions may depend on the tissue level of UDP-glucose, which in turn depends on the level of glucose in a particular tissue (Zador, I.Z. er al., "A Role for Glycosphingolipid Accumulation in the Renal Hypertropy of Streptozotocin-Induced Diabetes Mellitus," J. Clin Invest. 91:797-803 (1993)). In vitro assays based on endogenous ceramide yield lover synthetic rates than mixtures containing added ceramide, suggesting that tissue levels of ceramide are also normally rate-limiting (Brenkert, A. et al., "Synthesis of Galactosyl Ceramide and Glucosyl Ceramide by Rat Brain: Assay Procedures and Changes with Age," Brain Res. 36:183-193 (1972)).

It has been found that the level of GSLs controls a variety of cell functions, such as growth, differentiation, adhesion between cells or between cells and matrix